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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Cancel claims 12 and 51-62.

Add new claims 63-80 as follows:

- 1 <sup>12</sup> 63. A battery having a battery strength indicator comprising:
- 2 a nonrechargeable dry cell battery having a first terminal and a second terminal;
- 3 a battery strength indicator formed in a layer attached to a side of said battery
- 4 which undergoes a visible change when subject to a predetermined voltage
- 5 output of said battery, said battery strength indicator having:
- 6 A) a dielectric layer;
- 7 B) a conductive layer above or below the dielectric layer, one end of said
- 8 conductive layer adapted to be electrically connected to the first battery
- 9 terminal;